I understand that the Committee is interested in if the Governor's Office, under the Scott Administration, has an application process for board and commission appointments, and what does that application entail.

The short answer is yes, the application can be found here: <a href="https://governor.vermont.gov/boards-and-commissions/appointment-application">https://governor.vermont.gov/boards-and-commissions/appointment-application</a>.

Additionally, there was a question about if individuals have the opportunity identify different characteristics about themselves should an applicant want to disclose that information. The answer to that is yes as well, see here:

## Diversity

The following optional information is elicited in order to ensure that this administration considers the talent and creativity of a diverse pool of candidates. In addition, specific backgrounds for qualifications are legally required for appointment to some boards and commissions. You may, therefore, wish to provide this information in order to ensure that you are considered for relevant boards and commissions.

Race/Ethnicity		
Gender		
Age Military Service		
Person with Disability		

Lastly, I am sure the Committee has already reviewed this, but the governing statute for appointments to the SBE can be found here: <a href="https://legislature.vermont.gov/statutes/section/16/003/00161">https://legislature.vermont.gov/statutes/section/16/003/00161</a>. Specifically, "All members shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. In the appointment of the nonstudent members, priority shall be given to the selection of persons with a demonstrated commitment to ensuring quality education for Vermont students. To the extent possible, the members shall represent geographically diverse areas of the State."